Memo

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Suggested Amendment to claim 1:

1. A method in a data processing system for migrating an application from a source data processing system to a destination data processing system, the method comprising:

querying a data store containing meta data regarding files associated with the application, wherein the ~~data store includes~~ meta data ~~describing~~ describes associations between the files and applications that have accessed [[by]] the ~~application~~files;

receiving a result in response to querying the data store; and

initiating copying of the files from the source data processing system to the destination data processing system using the result.

Dunham neither describes or suggests querying a data store containing meta data that describes "associations between the files and applications that have accessed the files." Dunham suggests nothing more than conventional application program and file associations that are established at application installation. The present invention describes, and claims, a mechanism to query a data store that contains meta data that describes associations between the files "and applications that have accessed the files." For an example of the meta data that describes associations between files and applications that have accessed the files, see Figure 5. Note each record defines an association and is defined each time an application accesses a fil .

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